

1 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 84**

2 (By Delegates Duke, M. Poling, Paxton, Barill, Campbell, Craig,
3 Crosier, Ennis, Lawrence, Moye, Perry, Pethtel, Rodigherio,
4 Shaver, Smith, Walker, Sumner, Armstead, Ellington, Gearheart,
5 Pasdon, Rowan, Savilla and Sigler)

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7 [Originating in the Committee on Education]

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9 (February 17, 2011)

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12 Requesting the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to
13 conduct a study on the impact of policies, procedures,
14 rulings, interpretations and other directives affecting the
15 measures available to schools to address poor attendance.

16 Whereas, Poor attendance by students can have a major impact
17 on their academic success in school and is one of the adverse
18 attributes highly indicative of potential school dropouts; and

19 Whereas, The preparation of students for success in life
20 includes the development of their intellectual and occupational
21 abilities as well as instilling in them the importance of regular
22 attendance and work ethics that are valued in the world of work;
23 and

24 Whereas, Schools should have a wide range of measures

1 available to them to address poor attendance and the ill effects
2 on the preparation of students for success associated with it;
3 therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

5 That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby
6 requested to conduct a study on the impact of policies,
7 procedures, rulings, interpretations and other directives
8 affecting the measures available to schools to address poor
9 attendance; and be it

10 *Further Resolved,* That the State Superintendent of Schools
11 is directed to prepare for consideration by the Joint Committee
12 on Government and Finance in making its recommendations to the
13 Legislature a report on the policies, procedures, rulings,
14 interpretations and other directives, including but not limited
15 to those imposed by the State Board and Superintendent, the
16 Department of Education, the courts, and the Legislature, which
17 affect the measures available to schools to address poor
18 attendance, the basis in law or policy rationale of these
19 policies, procedures, rulings, interpretations and other
20 directives, and their impact on student attendance; and be it

21 *Further Resolved,* That the Joint Committee on Government and
22 Finance is requested to report to the regular session of the
23 Legislature, 2012, on its findings, conclusions and
24 recommendations, together with drafts of any legislation

1 necessary to effectuate its recommendations; and be it

2 *Further Resolved*, That the expenses necessary to conduct
3 this study, to prepare a report and draft necessary legislation
4 are requested to be paid from legislative appropriations to the
5 Joint Committee on Government and Finance.